**LAUGHTON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (LSA) NEWSLETTER**

**June 2015**

**Dear Everyone,**

**Here is our next installment of LSA news. The LSA would like to share the successes from the events we have organised and thank everyone for their participation and contribution. This is what we’ve been up to since our last update in January.**

PANCAKE BREAKFAST - £118

This was a great success and ran very smoothly. Thank you to all the LSA servers and the children for singing their pancake song. We love holding this event and hope you do too.

MOTHER’S / FATHER’S DAY SHOP - £198 & £167

The Mother’s Day shop is a wonderful event and due to the success last year, we ran the Father’s Day shop again, which proved just as popular. These will both be ongoing events in the future. Mrs West told the LSA that lots of the new parents thought it was a lovely idea, as do the children, we hope you enjoyed your gifts.

EASTER MAYHEM - £346

This year, the Pre-school, EYFS & KS1 children took part in a scavenger hunt and had fun searching the school field for their various items to claim their prize.

The KS2 children found their gold pebble and then used their brain power to complete a word search to win the prize. The Egg and Spoon Race added to the mayhem and congratulations to Fraser Hammond and Mr Peacock for winning the race. Please keep your trophies safe, we will require them back for next year!

The Easter Egg Tombola was new spin on the raffle and we feel was a fairer approach with no one leaving disappointed. We will adopt this approach again next year. Thank you for supporting, we hope all had a great time.

PLANT SALE - £83

Thank you to everyone who donated and bought plants. May they grow well in this lovely weather. All remaining plants were donated to the school gardens and the children are taking good care of them.

Please note for your diaries, there is another pop up plant sale being held afterschool on **17th July** if you have any plants to sell.

LAUGHTON’S GOT TALENT - £495

This was a blast, a big thank you to Ruth and her team for the hard work and enthusiasm that made this such a successful event. Congratulations to the winner Ottoline and all the other contestants for being so brave and brilliant. Also our thanks extends to the judges and the supporters. We apologise to anyone who wasn’t able to buy a ticket from this sell out event. If we can persuade Ruth, this maybe on our agenda for next year too!!!

CAKE SALES - £163 (Jungle £98 & High Peaks £65)

There are still three more to go, thank you to those that have baked and helped serve during the mad rush and to you and the children for supporting.

We need to add a special thanks to our newly appointed catering co-ordinator this year – Nicky Antiss. She is always ahead of the game with preparation, exceptionally well organised and produces sensational food every time. Without her expertise the LSA team would be lost, so we award her our ‘Man of the match!’ Thank you

**Which makes a total of £1,570 thank you!**

**What the money is being spent on**

At every LSA meeting, Mrs West comes with a list of requests where she would like funds spent in school. We have pledged **£3,000** to buy the long awaited multi-media sound system that Mrs West has been hoping for over the past year. This will ensure that future concerts and performances will be even better, which we hope you agree is money well spent. Other items the LSA have funded are;

**Playground Equipment £300**

**Pop up goal for playground £147**

**Water bottles for the new Reception £27**

**Funding focus week activities £600**

**Cereal bars for Sports Day £12**

We are also contributing toward the Year 6 leaver’s party. We wish them luck in their new schools.

**The LSA Events coming up this term**

**After School Café/Cake sales**

As mentioned above there are three more sales to go

**Friday 26th June – Bugs**

**Friday 3rd July – Underwater**

**Friday 10thJuly – Pre- School**

Please speak to your class rep to if you’re able to help/donate

**Artwave – Saturday 29th August 12 - 5pm**

The LSA will be serving tea and cake at Corina and Dominic’s open studios. There will be 10 artists exhibiting in the studios and gardens at this popular Artwave venue. If you’re able to make a cake or help serve, please contact Corina otherwise it would be lovely to see you there.

**Earn while you shop online**

* We would really encourage you to sign up to EasyFundraising. When registered you earn money for the school when you shop online and it can be very lucrative for us. IT IS FREE and straightforward to use. More details can be found at www.easyfundraising.org.uk - our page is ‘Laughton School’, or speak to Michelle Aloof (Ebony’s mum) if you need help.
* Please note that we are able to earn money for the school if you buy your plants, seeds and gardening delights from the following webshop

[www.littlegreensprouts.co.uk](http://www.littlegreensprouts.co.uk) and register as Laughton School. £1 in every £10 spent comes back to the school as cash or items for the school garden.

**AGM Pot Luck Supper: Tuesday 14th July**

**at Upper Lodge, The Broyle (Corina’s house)**

Please bring a dish for the table and no obligation to sign up, it would be lovely to see you there**.** You will have a warm welcome and it is always great fun.

Look out for posters for each of these events that will be displayed in the LSA notice board together with new photos of the current LSA team and class reps.

Thanks again for all your help and support,

**Kirsty Gillman (Chair) and all the LSA Members**